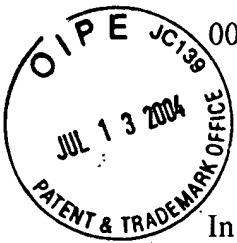


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In re Application of:)
HIROSHI SATOMI ET AL.)
Application No.: 09/547,284)
Filed: April 11, 2000)
For: INFORMATION PROVIDING)
METHOD, INFORMATION)
PROVIDING SYSTEM, TERMINAL)
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MEDIUM STORING INFORMATION)
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 15, 2004, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to proceed initially with prosecution of Group I (Claims 1-5, 9-25, 37-40, 49-55, 59, 91, 95 and 104-08).

Applicants respectfully request early examination on the merits and passage to issue of the elected claims.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leonard P. Diana", written over a horizontal line.

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